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RAILROAD CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY
YEN VIEN, NORTH VIETNAM

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS A NEWLY IDENTIFIED PROBABLE RAIL YARD UNDER CONSTRUCTION NEAR YEN VIEN. ADDITIONAL RAILROAD CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY IS NOTED SOUTHWEST OF THE RAIL YARD UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

2. LOCATION:

THE NEWLY IDENTIFIED RAIL YARD IS LOCATED ON THE HA NOI/PING-HSIANG RAIL LINE, 1.1 NM NORTHEAST OF THE YEN VIEN RAILROAD CLASSIFICATION YARD [REDACTED]

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3. REMARKS:

THE YEN VIEN RAILROAD CLASSIFICATION YARD HAS BEEN THE TARGET OF NUMEROUS U.S. AIR STRIKES, AND IS UNDER ATTACK AT THE TIME OF THIS PHOTOGRAPHY.

4. MISSION READOUT:

BLUE SPRINGS [REDACTED] REVEALS A PROBABLE RAILROAD YARD IN THE INITIAL STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION AT 2106N 10555E. DRAINAGE DITCHES HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED AND THE OPEN WIRE TELEPHONE/TELEGRAPH LINE THAT PARALLELS THE RAIL LINE HAS BEEN REALIGNED TO AVOID THE AREA OF CONSTRUCTION. PILES

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OF CROSSTIES ARE LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE RAIL LINE IN THE VICINITY OF CONSTRUCTION. FOUR TRACTORS WITH TOWED SCRAPERS AND ONE TRACTOR WITH DOZER BLADE ARE OBSERVED IN THE AREA. THE RAIL YARD WILL APPARENTLY BE APPROXIMATELY 3,300 FEET LONG WHEN COMPLETED.

ADDITIONAL RAIL CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY IS LOCATED 0.5 NM SOUTHWEST OF THE PROBABLE RAIL YARD UNDER CONSTRUCTION, AT 2105N 10555E. A NEW RAIL BY-PASS HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED BY-PASSING THE YEN VIEN RAILROAD CLASSIFICATION YARD AND CONNECTING THE HA NOI/PING-HSIANG RAIL LINE WITH THE HA NOI/LAO CAI RAIL LINE. A TURNING WYE TRACK IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION OFF THE BY-PASS AT UTM WJ962325. UNIDENTIFIED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY IS LOCATED JUST NORTHEAST OF THE TURNING WYE TRACK AT UTM WJ964326. TWO TRACTORS WITH TOWED SCRAPERS ARE OBSERVED IN THE AREA.

THE YEN VIEN CLASSIFICATION YARD IS OBSCURED BY SMOKE FROM AN AIR STRIKE.

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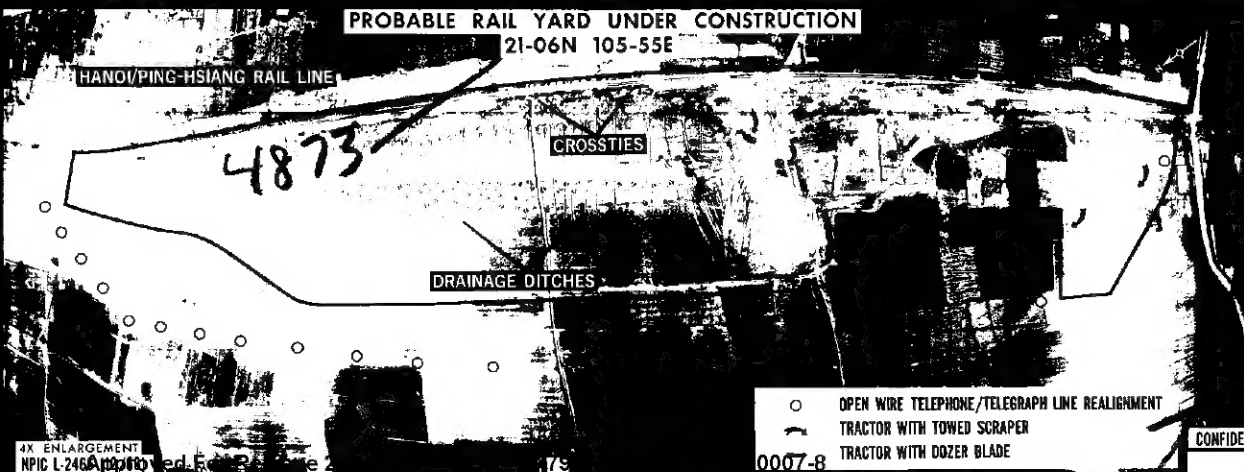
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